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Dear Mayor Ryan Windsor and Council.

I am writing as someone raised in Central Saanich who cares deeply about the long-term future, character, and livability of our community.

I am deeply disappointed by the current direction the Council has taken with the proposed development at the existing municipal site. More concerning is what appears to be an ongoing disregard for local community voices and a lack of meaningful oversight in preserving the nature, history, and identity that make Central Saanich such a desirable place to live.

Central Saanich is already exceeding the housing targets set by the Province, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. While many residents who initially opposed both the redevelopment and relocation of Municipal Hall have since acknowledged that change may be inevitable, there has been a consistent and reasonable request from the community for compromise — [REDACTED]. Those requests do not appear to have been meaningfully reflected in the current proposal.

There are also serious infrastructure concerns that remain insufficiently addressed. Mount Newton Cross Road already experiences significant congestion during peak travel times, and the surrounding road network is not presently equipped to absorb the additional traffic and service demands that a development of this scale would create.

[REDACTED]. With another four-storey modern building already being constructed across the street, the cumulative impact is a rapid erosion of the small-town feel and visual identity that residents value. Responsible planning must be about more than short-term financial return; it should reflect infrastructure realities, community fit, and the long-term stewardship of place.

At present, the lack of transparency and limited willingness to work collaboratively with residents on this has unfortunately created the perception that other interests may be influencing the process.

I respectfully request the opportunity to speak directly with someone by phone to share my concerns in greater detail and to better understand who the developer is, what alternatives were considered, and how community feedback is being incorporated into the final decision-making process.

Sincerely,

Emily Litster



Central Saanich Resident

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